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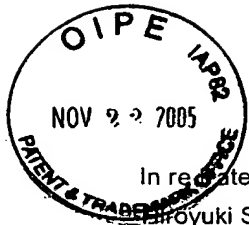
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The documents are being submitted after a first Office Action on the merits but prior to the closing of prosecution. Therefore, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), a statement is enclosed.

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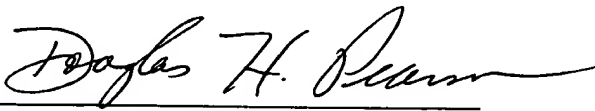
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Also enclosed is a copy of an Office Action issued by the Japan Patent Office on October 19, 2004, in counterpart Japanese patent application number 11-074836, listing the cited document. An English translation of the Japanese Office Action, and a concise statement of relevance relating to the cited document, are also enclosed.

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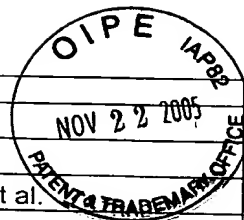
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